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COMPONENT KIT FOR A

SWITCH CABINET

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FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows to place this application in better condition for examination:

In the claims:

1. (Amended) In a [A] kit for a switchgear cabinet with a rack[, whose] with open sides that can be covered by [means of] wall elements and at least one cabinet door, the improvement comprising:

[characterized in that]